

veterans from Pueblo, Colorado for their act of service restoring the grave of a Civil War Medal of Honor recipient, Warren C. Dockum. Pueblo is the "Home of Heroes," and it is only proper that it should honor Warren C. Dockum, the only known Medal of Honor recipient buried in this great American city.

Warren C. Dockum earned the Medal of Honor during the Civil War at the Battle of Saylor's Creek where he showed exemplary bravery in service of the Union. After two other soldiers were killed, Dockum charged forward and captured a key position. Dockum was recognized for his heroism and received the Medal of Honor from President Andrew Johnson who assumed office after the assassination of Abraham Lincoln.

The Medal of Honor is the United States' highest award for military valor in action. While over 150 years have passed since the Medal of Honor's inception, the meaning behind the Medal has never been tarnished or diminished. A distinguished award presented only to the most deserving, the Medal of Honor tells a story of its own. Etched into the history of the Medal of Honor are the values that each recipient has displayed: bravery, courage, sacrifice, integrity, a deep love of country, and a desire to always do what is right.

The Medal of Honor reminds us that freedom isn't free. It's bought by patriots who pay the ultimate price. It reminds us to love our country and to remember that united we stand but divided we fall.

After the Civil War, Dockum eventually moved to Colorado and lived near Pueblo for the rest of his life. To honor this American hero's place of rest in Pueblo, local veterans volunteered to restore his gravesite. I thank the veterans in Pueblo for their magnificent work honoring Warren C. Dockum and highlighting yet another hometown hero who is associated with Pueblo's long and storied history of patriotism.

HONORING DR. CHARLES E. ANDERSON, SR. AS A DISTINGUISHED LEADER IN CENTRAL FLORIDA

### HON. DARREN SOTO

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. SOTO. Madam Speaker, Dr. Charles E. Anderson, Sr. is the Senior Pastor and Founder of Trinity Church—one church in several locations. Dr. Anderson has served over 25 years in pastoral ministry and has had the opportunity to serve in various capacities in the International, National, State, and Local arenas. He is the President of Unity in the Community in Haines City, Florida, which is a group of local pastors, local businesses, and community leaders who work together to promote unity in the Haines City community and other surrounding areas throughout Polk County. UIC promotes and develops economic empowerment for businesses and fosters positive relationships between city government, law enforcement, and citizens.

Through Dr. Anderson's leadership, UIC and Trinity Church have championed several annual community projects and programs such as hosting a testing site for COVID-19 vaccines, a community feeding program, con-

structing affordable housing in the East Polk County area, a work readiness program that educates youth and prepares them for success, a back-to-school bash which continues to serve more than 2,000 families with backpacks and school supplies, and a Miracle Christmas serving over 250 families with bicycles, toys, and gift cards.

Dr. Anderson serves on the Central Florida Health Care Board of Directors where he provides guidance for policies and strategic development. He also serves on the Advent Health Diversity, Equality, and Inclusion Council. Dr. Anderson has also worked with the State Attorney's office of the 10th Judicial Circuit to host several expungement seminars to allow citizens with criminal records to be sealed or expunged and live more productive lives.

Dr. Anderson received his Bachelor of Arts in Biblical Studies, a Master of Theological Studies, and a Doctor of Divinity from Logos University Christian College in Jacksonville. He also received a second Master of Ministry from Warner University in Lake Wales. Dr. Anderson has been married to Dr. Judith F. Anderson for the past 42 years. He has two sons, Charles II (Shaelis) and Javier (Chassidee), nine grandchildren, and two great-grandkids.

### HONORING JOE MOTTLOW

### HON. TOM EMMER

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. EMMER. Madam Speaker, I rise today to share the story of a fellow Minnesotan, Joe Mottlow.

On Wednesday June 14, 2017, Joe, (aka-JoeJoe Tough as he's become known since his battle began), was admitted to the hospital with an enlarged spleen. Within the next few days Joe, a previously healthy 35-year-old, learned he had a type of leukemia called ALL (b-cell) IGH which carried with it a measly 15 percent two-year survival rate for adults.

While he and his mom sat stunned after the doctor left the room, Joe said, "great news about Mark and Natalie!" That morning his cousin and wife announced they were pregnant with their first child. Joe's mom began to cry and Joe just consoled her saying, "let's just have fun with this." That's Joe. Always thinking about those he loves.

This was the beginning of a 5½ year rolling coaster ride full of laughs, fears, cries and camaraderie—a ride that still continues. Joe, a guy who has never met a stranger, is a different kind of fellow. The most unaverage average Joe you will ever meet—and if you do meet him, know this, he'll never forget YOU. Because not only will you learn his story, he'll learn your story as well.

Originally it was thought a bone marrow transplant was going to be his cure. Thankfully Joe's brother was a 100 percent match and the transplant seemed to do the trick and cure Joe. Unfortunately, this dreaded pest not only came back, but continued to come back 5 more times. Having a nearly incurable type of leukemia for an adult, Joe has willingly been a trailblazer, trying out new treatments and old treatments used in new ways, to help not only try to cure him, but hopefully open up the door

to curing many others. Joe has endured a grueling chemo regiment, two different newer immunotherapy treatments, an experimental CAR-T trial that brought him out to Seattle, another bone marrow transplant and yet another CAR-T trial right in our own backyard at the University of MN. Joe was only the 21st person to attempt this particular type of cure. This one worked for over a year, but this summer Joe learned the beast was back and his time was short. He was told that modern medicine could only hope to promise him three to six months. Joe's bucket list is now the priority—a list filled with connections to others.

Early on in this journey, his Aunt Allison took Joe to the clinic and observed that cancer does not discriminate. Looking around the waiting room there were rich and poor, young and old. If it wants you, it gets you. She also watched Joe connecting with those in the waiting room. So many stories have been told about Joe helping other patients get through their cancer nightmares. Get up. Get dressed. Smile. Live.

Joe's smile and inspiration have not gone unnoticed. Joe's doctors let the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society know about this amazing guy their patients kept talking about. How this guy just started talking to them while they sat in the clinic, full of anxiety and sadness, and the next thing they knew they are laughing, talking the uncomfortable conversations of their cancer journey, and finding camaraderie. Joe has started group outings and text chains bringing cancer warriors together to support and love one another. These groups brought diverse unlikely people together and have made all their lives richer for having cancer and learning to dig deep to find friendship and grace in the process.

Accolades have come Joe's way. The Leukemia/Lymphoma Society nominated Joe for "Man of the Year" 2020, and recently honored him with their prized "Lifetime Achievement" award. One of Joe's clinic buddies wanted to thank the U of M for saving his life, but realized science was only part of his success. This buddy felt JoeJoe Tough gave him the fight and positivity that pushed him over the finish line and is now working with the U to develop a virtual workout motivational program that will soon be available to patients. When completed, it will be named in Joe's honor.

Accolades are wonderful, but it's the love and support Joe has received from his army of JoeJoe Toughens that has humbled and inspired him. Who has over 2000 friends? Friends, not donors, wanting something from you—but ride or die type friends? Joe does. Why? Because he is "that" friend we all want and is so hard to find. Joe listens and hears others, and that is what makes Joe an unaverage average Joe.

### TRIBUTE TO WAYNE T. CARTER

### HON. JEFFERSON VAN DREW

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, November 29, 2022*

Mr. VAN DREW. Madam Speaker, last month, I had the pleasure of attending the Salem Community College Foundation Veterans Dinner. At the event, Wayne T. Carter was honored for his 21 years of service in the United States Army, where he earned the rank